



SYCANN COMMUNICATION
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INTRODUCTION

Hello and welcome to the latest South Yorkshire CANN Update.

South Yorkshire Children's Additional Needs Network shares information and helps to increase the reach of your services for children and young people in the region.

Regarding updates and information, if you have material or information that you would like forwarded to the members of the Network, or any updates, please ensure that you email it to Miriam on southyorkshire@cann-network.org, before the end of the month.

Thanks to everyone who shared the information below for our latest update, which contains information and sessions for children and young people with additional needs and their parent carers.

You can find these Communications on the SYCANN Website at:
<https://www.cann-network.org/blog/>

SYCANN MEETING DATES

Please let us know if you need any support accessing the meetings

Future dates:

SY CANN Quarterly Meeting
The Voice of Our Youth
Tuesday 2nd December
10am to 12pm at Irwin Mitchell's offices in Sheffield

CHAIR COMMENTS

Dear SYCANN crew,

Darker days are coming but that's when the fireworks are brightest. The autumn colours are amazing and I highly recommend getting out to your nearest green space. Strolling and leaf catching. A breath of fresh, crisp air too.

We meet in-person on **Tuesday 2nd December.10-12pm at Irwin Mitchell, Riverside East** (our usual haunt, pun totally intended). Christmas jumpers are optional.

We have two presenters so far with a third to be confirmed joining us for 'The Voice of Our Youth, and how we can learn from it'.

Most of all it's a great opportunity to learn from one another. Bring what you're up to and let's see how we can support one another in empowering our youth.

Kindest regards,

Nina Rose and Maxine Beckett
SYCANN Co-Chair's
South Yorkshire CANN

Irwin Mitchell Christmas Themed Family Fun Day

We're pleased to announce that we will be hosting a Christmas themed family fun day on the **14th December 2025**. Please see below for key info, with more details to follow in due course.

We would absolutely love to see as many SYCANN members attend the event as possible. As some of you will know, we've run similar events like this in previous years, which have been well received by local families. The aim of the event is to provide a free and fun activity for all the family to enjoy. With this in mind, it would be much appreciated if you could let us know if you're able to attend with a stall and provide a fun activity for the children to enjoy. This can be anything you like, big or small, but it would be great if you could share what you'd like to do so we can help coordinate this (some ideas for inspiration are at the bottom of this email!). We are looking into hiring a 'Santa' and entertainment for the day, so will keep you updated in due course on this, but it would be great for the families to have a choice of activities to take part in. We would also really appreciate your support as CANN members in promoting the event with your own networks, to help this reach as many families and service users as possible – please do let us know if you're happy to support the event in this way. 😊

Key information:

- Venue; Niagara Centre, Niagara Road, Sheffield, S6 1LU
- Date; Sunday 14th December 2025
- Time; 11am – 2pm (set up time tbc)
- Cost; Free

Ideas for your stall:

- Nail painting
- DIY Christmas decorations
- Finger painting
- Christmas tree drawing stencils
- Giant connect 4

- Write a letter to Santa station
- Story telling corner (quiet room available)
- Sensory experience (if you have the equipment)

Please can you confirm your place as soon as possible by emailing Nicole.quinn@irwinmitchell.com, so we can T up the venue in plenty of time. Any questions please do let us know and thank you in advance for your support.

Anna.Stacey@IrwinMitchell.com

An invitation to the event for you to send out to your members will be available in early October.

NEW MEMBERS

Bumpy Ltd



Bumpy Ltd is a registered charity based in West Yorkshire, dedicated to helping people of all ages and abilities experience the joy and freedom of motorcycling in a safe, supportive environment. Established over 35 years ago, Bumpy offers a wide range of motorcycle and off-road training programmes, from beginner lessons and full motorcycle licence training to children's off-road experiences and trials tuition.

A key part of Bumpy's inclusive mission is its SEND buggy sessions, designed specifically for individuals with disabilities or additional needs. These sessions provide passengers with the exciting opportunity to enjoy off-road rides in specially adapted buggies and quads, operated by trained staff in a controlled and accessible environment. The sessions focus on confidence building, sensory engagement, and fun, often delivered at a subsidised rate to make them as accessible as possible.

By combining professional instruction, safety, and a warm community spirit, Bumpy ensures that everyone — regardless of ability — can share in the thrill of two (or four) wheels.

<https://www.bumpy.org.uk/>

If you know of any groups that may be interested, please get them in touch!

If you are not yet on the CANN website, you can be added by completing this form:

<https://www.cann-network.org/member-registration-form/>

Please only use contact details that are for public use

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RESEARCH

INFORMATION & DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - NATIONAL/ONLINE

Online creative art sessions for siblings

Sibs is a charity supporting brothers and sisters of disabled children and adults.

They are running online creative arts sessions on Saturday 22 November for young people who care for a disabled, neurodiverse, or seriously ill sibling. Delivered in partnership with Artpod, each session will include support from a member of the Sibs team, ensuring a welcoming and inclusive space for sibling carers to connect and create.

Join via Zoom on Saturday, 22 November 2025:

● Ages 4 to 10 years (10am - 11.30am)

● Ages 11 years + (1pm - 2.30pm)

https://www.sibs.org.uk/sibs-workshops-and-training/art-sessions-for-young-siblings?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery

Residential Camp Applications for Over the Wall 2026 are OPEN!

Hello!

Applications for 2026 camps are open and you can [refer now!](#) 🎉

We also have some exciting updates to tell you.....

England Camps

2026 sees the opening of [Over the Wall Camp at Ockbrook](#) near Derby!

As part of this exciting new chapter, we have relocated our head office to Ockbrook and are currently renovating the site to transform it into our permanent camp home. From July 2026, all of our residential camps in England will take place here, giving us a wonderful new place to welcome children, young people, and families.

In our first year of operation at Ockbrook, we'll be running smaller camps across more weeks of the year as we gradually scale up our onsite accommodation. Each camp will welcome up to 50 campers, allowing us to deliver the same great experience while continuing to develop our site capacity for future seasons.

We're excited to return to our pre-COVID model of running separate Health Challenge and Siblings Camps. We appreciate the unique benefits this structure offers, allowing us to tailor programming more closely to each group's needs, and we're eager to bring this core element of our camp experience back in 2026.

Each camp session will also be split into age groups, so there will be dedicated weeks for:

- Children aged 8–12 years
- Young people aged 13–17 years

This way, we can make the best use of our space to deliver the best possible experience for our campers.

A new addition to the calendar is our Home Educated Camp, taking place during term time. This combined Health Challenge & Siblings Camp is designed specifically for campers aged 8–17 who are home educated and meet Over the Wall Camp's eligibility criteria. We know that home educated children often have unique learning journeys and social experiences, and we're excited to pilot this new programme.

Family Camps and Partnership Camps

Our Family Camps will be running on weekends throughout September and October, and applications have opened now for these too. We will be announcing in the New Year which will be partnership camps (run with other charities and organisations and usually illness group specific) and which will be our generic Over The wall Family Camps for all illness groups covered in our criteria.

You can find details on all camps and their dates here: [on our website](#)

Share the Magic of Camp!

Many families haven't heard of OTWC until someone like you shares it with them. Your referrals make all the difference — and they only take a few minutes!

If you know a young person or family who could benefit from the magic of camp, you can refer them easily using this short online form: [Refer a Family Now](#).

Once you've made the referral, we'll take it from there! Our team will reach out to the family, chat about camp, and help them apply if they'd like to join in the adventure.

Why should you refer? Here's what one of our wonderful referrers says:

"I have witnessed first-hand what a difference these camps make to our patients. The patients I support are often advised of what they can't do, rather than what they can. Over The Wall gives them the opportunity to take part in activities with other children with similar conditions whilst being cared for by experienced healthcare professionals and staff."

- Hayley, Family Support Worker

'Who can come to camp?' and other FAQs

You can find our eligibility guidance here: [Who can come to camp?](#).

Want to know more about things such as the food, accommodation, and activities? Our FAQs page covers these topics and more. You can find it here: [Camp FAQs](#).

Or, you can get in touch by phoning 01332 977589 or emailing us campers@otw.org.uk. We'd love to help!

Don't forget to refer a family now: [Short online referral form](#).
We hope to see some of the young people you support at camp soon!

Camper & Families Team
Email: campers@otw.org.uk
Tel: 01332 977589 Option 1

Navigating legal change: What charities need to know

Thursday 06 November, 12.00pm - 1.30pm - Virtual

As the legal landscape continues to evolve, charities must stay informed to protect their operations, assets, and legacy.

This webinar will provide a practical overview of key developments affecting the sector, including recent changes to UK data protection laws, updates in employment legislation, essential guidance on intellectual property management, and strategies for safeguarding legacy income amid rising inheritance disputes.

Join us to gain expert insights and actionable advice to help your charity stay compliant, resilient, and future-ready.

Throughout the session we'll explore:

Legacy income and inheritance disputes

Engaging donors to grow legacy income involves long-term stewardship. Disputes such as contested wills or unclear intentions can threaten these gifts. We'll help you to understand the types of dispute which might arise and how evidence of the donor journey can help in contentious probate disputes.

Intellectual property awareness

Many organisations lack a clear understanding of intellectual property (IP), especially regarding how to protect it. This can lead to complications when collaborating with third parties on content creation, as inadequate IP management may result in unexpected financial demands from those partners. We'll address the type of IP rights which can protect your organisation and its activities, how to protect those rights and common pitfalls and how to avoid them.

Employment law changes

The Employment Rights Bill will see employers grapple with the biggest set of legislative changes we've had for years. We'll explain what to expect and why, giving you some key action points for ensuring resilient to the changes ahead that are tailored to the charity sector. Expect day-one unfair dismissal rights, changes to the way in which you can use low level contracts, the need to take all reasonable steps to prevent third party harassment such as service users, donors, and volunteers.

UK data protection laws

2025 has seen the biggest changes to UK data protection laws since GDPR. The Data (Use and Access) Act 2025 is now on the statute books and will both introduce new requirements and change existing ones. We will look at some of the key reforms and what they mean for charities, what you should do and when.

Please RSVP to secure your place.

<https://events.irwinmitchell.com/charities>

We hope you are able to join us.

Kind regards

Irwin Mitchell

Meet Grandad Wheels

Brian Abram is 'Grandad Wheels'

I'm 68, retired and from Halifax. After a serious cycling accident in 2013, I was left paraplegic and a full-time wheelchair user. I started writing stories to amuse my Grandson Charles, but I was encouraged to share them with a wider audience. I have now self-published six books in the series '*The Adventures of Grandad Wheels!*' – exciting tales of the crazy things I get up to with my grandson Charles (Charlie in the stories). Each story gives the reader some appreciation of the challenges that face wheelchair users. But the main objective is to show that a Grandad in a wheelchair (or anyone in a wheelchair for that matter) can still have a whole lot of fun!

All the proceeds from my books are donated to charity, divided equally between the **Spinal Injuries Association** and **Back Up**. Both these charities work to improve the lives of people like me who have suffered a spinal injury. I've now raised **£90,000**.

As at September 2025, I've visited **200 schools** and met almost **40,000 children**. I raise awareness of the challenges disabled people face whilst entertaining the children and encouraging them to interact with me in a fun way.

Grandad Wheels is available to visit schools and charities in South and West Yorkshire, and can offer **online sessions** for groups further afield. If you're interested in booking a visit, please get in touch!

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Excluded by Design? New report and Shift the Scene fund

A new fund for disabled young people in all art forms, Shift the Scene (that I contributed to the design of) will be released on 1st October. Made with Music have a similar fund for early years work and we have learnt so much from it, so I'd really encourage applications. I would be happy to talk to anyone about it, as would love to see an organisation in Yorkshire funded. You can sign up for updates, here: <https://mailchi.mp/youthmusic.org.uk/shift-the-scene-fund-signup>

Please share with any relevant organisations, as it would be great if the reach was nationwide and reached organisations outside of music too.

Thank you
Kathryn

Made with Music
www.madewithmusic.co.uk
Registered Charity 1177738

Incoming B&A Online events December 2nd and 3rd 2025

Registrations are live for our next online B&A events for 11–25-year-olds.

Open for any young person 11-25 years old who has been impacted by Meningitis. This event is open to the young person who has experienced the disease and their siblings

Our 11–17-year-olds will take part in a creative session with The Crafty Hen and our 18–25-year-olds will enjoy a practical session looking at their personal strengths and how to use them to move forward positively in their lives, with Morissa from Family Action

Please do share the links far and wide and let's make this our most successful online ever!

<https://www.meningitisnow.org/get-support/supporting-young-people/believe-achieve/events-weekends/>

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Communication Matters Study Day - 21st November London

'Inspiring New Ways of Thinking About Access to Technology for People with Intellectual Disability'
Study Day - Registration Now Open

21st November 2025, 9.30-4pm, Irwin Mitchell Offices, Temple, London, EC4Y 0AY

Communication Matters are delighted to partner with a range of leading academic and clinical experts in cognitive disability to host this exciting event.

Following on from our previous Study Day in November 2019 ('Where Next for People with Cognitive Disabilities & Electronic Assistive Technology?'), we will offer delegates a range of plenaries and workshops to explore the state of play around existing technology for people with cognitive disability as well as the opportunity to (re)consider how to activate current and future technologies in creative and innovative ways. This is a standalone event and, although drawing on learning from the 2019 event, there is no need for delegates to have attended the previous Study Day to benefit from this one.

Attendance: £100 for non-members, £90 for members and £75 for AAC users/PAs/family members. Lunch and refreshments included.

Learning objectives, full programme and booking details can be found [here](https://www.communicationmatters.org.uk/what-we-do/study-days/). Register your place now!

<https://www.communicationmatters.org.uk/what-we-do/study-days/>

Down Syndrome UK - PADS Professionals Webinar for November

We are delighted to advise that PADS offers free informal monthly lunchtime webinars, aimed at supporting and training all healthcare professionals around best practices to improve the maternity experience of parents of a baby with Down syndrome.

Created and delivered by parents, experts in the lived experience of pregnancy and life with a child with Down syndrome, the sessions will provide you with a chance to learn from our experiences, to seek advice and ask questions. At PADS we believe that every woman with a high chance or confirmed result of baby having Down syndrome has the right to enjoy a pregnancy free from discrimination and not be subjected to any prejudicial language or attitudes.

Cultural perspectives – how we support families across different cultures

Monday 17th November - Midday

In this webinar we are joined by parents of children with Down syndrome who share their Lived Experiences of their culture, their difficulties and triumphs as well as how PADS supports them in their parenting journey.

Click here and add details to register for this event:

<https://downsyndromeuk.my.site.com/community/s/maternitywebinars>

Kidz to Adultz North heads to Liverpool with a bigger focus on transition and brilliant prizes to be won

I'm Carmel from Disabled Living. We're a charity that's been supporting people of all ages with disabilities and additional needs across the UK since 1897. Alongside our services and helplines, we also run the Kidz to Adultz events, which I think could be really valuable for you, your colleagues, and the people you support, please do feel free to share.

Wednesday 3rd December 2025 | ACC Liverpool Port of Liverpool, Kings Dock Street, L3 4FP | 9.30am – 4.00pm

Free entry | Parking available | Fully accessible

One of the UK's largest free events dedicated to children and young people with disabilities and additional needs, supporting people across the whole of the North West is returning to the North this winter.

Kidz to Adultz North will take place at ACC Liverpool on Wednesday 3rd December 2025 – welcoming families, carers and professionals from across the region for a day of expert advice, practical support and inclusive fun. Kidz to Adultz exhibitions offer a unique opportunity to connect with over 100 exhibitors – from mobility and seating to education, employment, funding, sensory products and more.

A bigger focus for 2025: Navigating transition

Alongside the usual paediatric elements of the event, this year's event will spotlight an important new area of support across all Kidz to Adultz exhibitions: helping young disabled people and their families navigate life's key transitions – whether that's preparing for adulthood, accessing further education, moving into employment or gaining greater independence. Parents, carers, and professionals will be able to explore dedicated information and services to help make these transitions smoother and more informed.

Expert-led seminars – CPD certified

Our CPD-certified seminars are a key highlight of the event. Covering all the hot topics, they're free to attend, expert-led, and packed with useful insights for parents, carers, and professionals. Just turn up on the day and scan at the end of the presentation to collect your CPD Certificate. The full timetable is available on our website.

Alongside the exhibition and seminars, there will also be:

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A fun-filled soft play area to keep little ones entertained
A magical Santa's Grotto bringing festive cheer for all ages
Join in the Bubble Ology experience
And much more.....

Competition time

To mark the return of Kidz to Adultz North to Liverpool, all visitors attending the event will have the chance to enter an exclusive competition with exciting prizes kindly donated by Premium at M&S Bank Arena including:

Four accessible tickets to see ELF the Musical – a festive treat for the family
Two premium tickets to see James Arthur at the M&S Bank Arena, Liverpool
Two premium tickets to see Jimmy Carr at the M&S Bank Arena, Liverpool
Full competition details will be available at the event.

This event is ideal for parents, carers, healthcare professionals, SENCOs, therapists, and anyone supporting a child or young adult with a disability or additional needs. With a wide range of companies providing specialist equipment and organisations offering support and services, whether you're seeking practical solutions, expert advice, or the opportunity to connect with others, you'll find it all here.

Register for free now and find out more:
<https://www.kidzexhibitions.co.uk/kidz-to-adultz-north-1/>

Interested in being more involved? We would love to hear from you... do get in touch
kidzteam@disabledliving.co.uk

Kind regards

Carmel Hourigan
Email Address - carmel.hourigan@disabledliving.co.uk
Website - www.kidzexhibitions.co.uk

H.I.E. Conference - Thursday 14th May 2026

Tickets are on sale for our first H.I.E. Conference, taking place on Thursday 14th May 2026 at The Lowry, Manchester.



H.I.E. CONFERENCE

14th May 2026
The Lowry, Salford Quays

Kindly supported by:



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The theme is “Hear, Inform, Empower.”

Our first announced speakers are Nicholas Hamilton & Paula Abramson.

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"Nicolas is a disability ambassador and hugely inspiring speaker. Born with Cerebral Palsy, following an H.I.E. event at birth, Nicolas and his parents were told that he would never walk, or talk, but this did not stop him for achieving his dream of becoming a successful racing driver."

Paula Abramson will be joining us on the 14th May 2026, and we hope you will too. Paula is a psychotherapist and training facilitator, specialising in providing bereavement support to families and training for professionals, following the death of a baby or child.

Conference tickets here: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/hie-conference-tickets-1434277846649>

Direct Payment Support Group Some Dates for your diary 2025 - 2026

Liz Leach from Imagineer Development UK CIC & Support Brokerage Network and Katie Clarke from Accessible Calderdale are pleased to announce a new series of workshops.

Our workshops are for people who already receive a Direct Payment or Personal Budget, or those people who are interested in this option.

These sessions help people to develop a greater understanding about the assessment process, financial assessment, support planning and recruiting and training of Personal Assistants.

Workshops will help attendees know their rights as a Direct Payments recipient.

Our sessions are a safe place to come together with like-minded people, learn together and share what works, what doesn't work and what we can do to make employing our own team/s easier.

Thanks to Skills for Care we are running the following sessions:

- 12th November online 6pm to 8pm Not Another Assessment
- 3rd December online 6pm to 8pm Support Planning for Individual Employers
- 12th January online 6pm to 8pm Managing your own PA/s
- TBC February online Disability Related Expenses workshop
- 2nd March full day workshop 10am to 3pm What Does Good Support Look Like?

We will be running 3 outreach workshops for family and disabled led organisations so do get in touch if you want us to join one of your sessions.

We run a closed group for anyone receiving Social Care to share ideas, knowledge, and support.

For more information on the Direct Payment Support Group please contact katie@visitsunlimited.org.uk and follow us on social media @AccessibleCalderdale

For bookings contact lorraine.accessiblecalderdale@gmail.com

Health Conference - Principles for Delivering Clinical Tasks in Education Settings for Children and Young People with EHCPs.

A conference from the Newcastle upon Tyne Pilot and other regional variations in partnership with MiSS (Medicines in Specialist Schools), Regional NHS England, ICB's, DfE.



Health Conference 21st November 2025

Friends House, 173-177 Euston Road,
Central London, NW1 2BJ - 9:30am - 3:15pm

Principles for Delivering Clinical Tasks in Education Settings for Children and Young People with EHCPs.

A conference from the Newcastle upon Tyne Pilot and other regional variations in partnership with MiSS (Medicines in Specialist Schools), Regional NHS England, ICB's, DfE.

£149
+VAT

A new Health Support Assistant Role for Specialist settings to deliver medications and enteral feeds with full job protection, training and clinical supervision.

"We want to share our journey in bringing Health Governance into an educational setting."

Principles

- The importance of the principles of Health delegation to schools.
- The interpretation of the current Children & Families Act 2014.
- The importance of developing the foundations, creating new systems, including governance, data and partnership working.
- The awareness that skills already lie in the people that are in the service and understanding what a change in the system can offer in terms of opportunity.
- The importance of partnership work agreeing and sharing responsibilities.

This conference is an opportunity for colleagues in Education and Health to learn from the Newcastle Pilot and other regional groups' journeys to meeting the Health Care Needs of our Children and Young People with EHCP's.

- How do we audit the Health needs in our EHCP's?
- How do we commission Health Care from the ICBs?
- How do we ensure Local Authorities provide governance of Health in Education?
- How do we secure job protection in new Health roles in partnership with the unions?
- How do we ensure clinical supervision remains with Health?

These and more questions will hopefully be answered.



Health Conference Programme

9:00

Registration, coffee and networking
Welcome and Introduction

9:45 - 10:15

Benedict Coffin (DfE SEND Unit)

Identifying the areas specialist settings are experiencing.
Separation of 'Supporting Children with Medical Needs' advice vs entitlement.

10:15 - 11:00

Principles - The Newcastle Pilot - Sharing one set of principles; one model.

11:00 - 11:20

Tea/Coffee and networking

11:20 - 11:40

Leeds

11:40 - 12:00

Bradford

12:00 - 12:20

Cumbria

12:20 - 13:10

Lunch and networking

13:10 - 13:50

MP for Newcastle upon Tyne North – Catherine McKinnell
Minister of State for School Standards

13:50 - 14:10

Greater Manchester

14:10 - 14:30

Pharmacy Team

14:30 - 14:45

Tea/Coffee and networking

14:45 - 15:15

MISS (Medicines in Specialist Schools)

15:15 - 16:00

Q&A and networking



For more information please contact admin@equalsoffice.co.uk

Equals national conferences are usually oversubscribed so early booking is recommended.
To book a place, please email admin@equalsoffice.co.uk or you can ring using 0191 272 1222.
There is also an online form on the equals website at www.equals.co.uk



INFORMATION & DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - REGIONAL

'Meet The Funder'

**A free event
for Voluntary &
Community
Groups in Barnsley**

with

**South
Yorkshire's
Community
Foundation**

Date: Thursday 27th November 2025

Time: 11.00am - 1.00pm

**Venue: St. John's Community Centre,
Church St, Penistone S36 6AR**

Booking preferred via syfab.org.uk or Scan QR Code below

Come and meet Jess O'Neill, Grants Manager from the South Yorkshire Community Foundation and you can find out what funding is available to voluntary & community groups, who can apply and what can be funded

Karen Walke from the South Yorkshire Funding Advice Bureau and Frances Elliott from Barnsley CVS will also be on hand to offer advice and support.



SYFAB

This event is free but booking is preferred to manage numbers.
just scan the QR code or go to syfab.org.uk and click on our Training & Events page
email enquiries@syfab.org.uk or call 0114 2615141 for more information



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SYFAB FUNDRAISING COURSES

Upcoming events

**SEPT 2025 -
FEB 2026**

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| OCT 10 | MAKING A GOOD APPLICATION (BID-WRITING) TWO HALF DAYS 10TH OCT & FRIDAY 17TH OCTOBER 10.00AM-1.00PM | NOV 11 | CHOOSING THE RIGHT LEGAL STRUCTURE FOR YOUR GROUP OR ORGANISATION 10.00am-1.30pm |
| OCT 14 | NATIONAL LOTTERY REACHING COMMUNITIES MASTERCLASS FOR LARGER NLCF GRANTS 09.30am-2.30pm | JAN 2026 22 | SOCIAL MEDIA STRATEGY MASTERCLASS 09.30am-2.30pm |
| OCT 21 | MAKING THE ASK: MAKING THE MOVE - HOW TO GAIN BUSINESS SPONSORSHIP OR SUPPORT FOR YOUR GROUP OR PROJECT 10.00am-3.30pm | JAN 27 | THE ESSENTIALS OF GOOD BOOK-KEEPING FOR COMMUNITY & VOLUNTARY GROUPS AND CIC'S' 09.30am-1.00pm |
| OCT 23 | SOCIAL MEDIA STRATEGY MASTERCLASS 09.30am-2.30pm | FEB 3 | AN INTRODUCTION TO BUDGETING FOR FUNDRAISING 10.00am-1.30pm |
| NOV 4 | MEET THE FUNDER WEBINAR WITH THE NATIONAL LOTTERY HERITAGE FUND 10.00AM-12.00PM | FEB 10 | UNDERSTANDING AIMS, OUTCOMES AND IMPACT IN FUNDRAISING 09.30am-2.30pm |
| NOV 5 | FUNDING FROM MAJOR TRUSTS & FOUNDATIONS 9.30 am-1.00pm | FEB 12 | INTRODUCTION TO FUNDRAISING FOR BEGINNERS 09.30am-2.30pm |

Book online at www.syfab.org.uk

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VOLUNTARY & COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS

contact enquiries@syfab.org.uk or call 07395 023887



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Yorkshire Sports Festival

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FREE Christmas Family Fun Day!

Join us for a magical festive celebration in partnership with **Irwin Mitchell** and **SYCANN**!



Sunday 14th December



11am – 2pm



Niagara Centre, Niagara Road, Sheffield S6 1LU

Expect a day full of joy and inclusive fun for families and children with additional needs, including:



Santa's Grotto



Face Painting



Sensory Activities



Boccia



Free Food & Refreshments



Plus, meet local charities offering support and resources!



Book your FREE place now:

<https://irwinmitchellandsycannfamilyfu.splashthat.com/>

Let's make this Christmas one to remember! ✨

#ChristmasFunDay #SYCANN #IrwinMitchell #InclusiveEvents #FamilyFun #SheffieldEvents



CHRISTMAS FAMILY FUN DAY

In conjunction with Irwin Mitchell & SYCANN



You are invited to a free family fun day hosted by us at the Niagara centre in Hillsborough.

Come along and join us on the day, we will have lots of fun activities for you to enjoy, including Santa's grotto, face painting, sensory activities, Boccia and much more!

Food will be provided, and refreshments are available at the Niagara bar. We are delighted that a number of local charities who support families and children with additional needs will also be joining us on the day.

To confirm your place, sign up for free using the link below
<https://irwinmitchellandsycannfamilyfun.splashthat.com/>

**SUNDAY 14TH
DECEMBER
11AM - 2PM**

**NIAGARA CENTRE, NIAGARA
ROAD, SHEFFIELD, S6 1LU**

Sheffield Parent Carer Forum Upcoming Events

We provide peer support, signposting, and information sessions for parents and carers of children with SEND. Our work covers a wide range of disabilities, not just neurodiversity.

This Month's Highlights

- Disabled Parent Carer Session – 7th November, Old Sharrow Junior School

Upcoming Information Sessions

- 5th November – Understanding Sensory, Online, 6pm–8pm

For more details, please see our What's On Guide or visit our website.

We also offer peer support – parents can reach out via our website, leave their details, and a member of our team will be in touch.

Kind regards

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Telephone: 07542600387

Website: www.sheffieldparentcarerforum.org.uk

Facebook: www.facebook.com/SheffieldParentCarerForum/

Twitter: <http://twitter.com/ShefParentForum>



INFORMATION SESSIONS

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What's on - November/December 2025

Understanding Sensory
Wednesday 5th November
6-8pm ONLINE

Anxiety
Thursday 13th November
10-1pm Burngreave
Family Hub

Introduction to demand
avoidant behaviour
Saturday 22nd November
10 - 12 Mencap & Gateway

Sensory Toolkit
Thursday 11th December
10-1pm High Green
Development Trust

Book via the link on our events page at www.sheffieldparentcarerforum.org.uk or scan the QR code



Please be aware dates are subject to change

SHASBAH Boogie & Buffet



November 15 @ 11:00 am - 2:00 pm

Event Cost: Free

Join us at our SHASBAH Boogie and Buffet on **Saturday 15th November from 11-2pm**. We'll have food, drinks, music and a sensory space for the whole SHASBAH community to enjoy together, as well as a charity AGM update to let everyone know our latest developments and what's happening next! This event is for everyone including family, friends and supporters, and we're really looking forward to seeing you all.

Our special event will be hosted at the Capel Building Hall, Burton Street, Hillsborough S6 2HH. Disabled parking is available in the car park.

Please let us know when you book if you have any dietary requirements and/or food allergies.

[Book your place\(s\) here](#)

Mental Health Matters Groups for November

Self-Advocacy Sessions with Joy Sykes from ASCETS

📍 Location: 44 Bank Street, Sheffield, S1 2DS

📅 Dates & Times:

Monday, 10 November 2025 @ 12:15

Monday, 24 November 2025 @ 12:15

Monday, 08 December 2025 @ 12:15

If you'd like to attend, please send an email to adultautismsupporthub.mhm@nhs.net and we will confirm your place.

Please make sure you're available for all three sessions.

Autism Social Communication Education and Training Service (ASCETS)

One-Page Profile



Hello, my name is Joy Sykes.

I have a Cocker Spaniel called Lady, and she is my favourite thing to talk about.

I lead post-16 support for the ASCETS (Autism and Social Communication Education and Training Service), for Sheffield Council.

I work across all areas of Sheffield, providing support, advice, guidance and training to individuals, groups and staff.

I will be running 3 sessions on self-advocacy to support individuals to develop confidence with identifying their individual profile (strengths and support needs) and communicating these with professionals in a style that is comfortable for them.

Adult Autism and ADHD Support Hub – November group sessions @ 44 Bank Street, S1 2DS

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| Monday – 03/11/2025 Drop-in 1:2:1 support 10:00 – 14:00 | Monday – 03/11/2025 12:00 – 14:00 Dungeons & Dragons – Group 1 Please let us know if you would like to join | Monday 03/11/2025 12:15 – 13:30 Tea & Chat | Wednesday 05/11/2025 Service closed | Wednesday – 05/11/2025 Service not open – Staff training |
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| Monday – 17/11/2025 Drop-in 1:2:1 support 10:00 – 14:00 | Monday – 17/11/2025 12:00 – 14:00 Dungeons & Dragons – Group 1 Please let us know if you would like to join | Monday 17/11/2025 12:15 – 13:30 Tea & Chat | Wednesday 19/11/2025 Drop-in 1:2:1 support 10:00 – 14:00 | Wednesday 12/11/2025 12:00 – 14:00 Dungeons & Dragons – Group 2 Please let us know if you would like to join |
| Monday – 24/11/2025 Drop-in 1:2:1 support 10:00 – 12:00 | Monday – 24/11/2025 12:15 – 13:30 ASCETS – Self-advocacy (Session 2) | | Wednesday – 26/11/2025 Drop-in 1:2:1 support 10:00 – 14:00 | Wednesday – 26/11/2025 12:00 – 14:00 Dungeons & Dragons – Group 2 Please let us know if you would like to join |
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Barnsley CVS Newsletter - 30 October 2025

<https://aidemail.co.uk/campaigns/barnsleycvsv/CxYsJF0mULiXtTwxdf8bITpA1>

SOCIAL MEDIA LINKS AND CONTACT DETAILS:

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| Website: | www.cann-network.org |
| Email: | southyorkshire@cann-network.org |
| X: | https://x.com/CannSouth |
| Bluesky: | https://bsky.app/sycann.bsky.social |
| LinkedIn: | https://www.linkedin.com/company/south-yorkshire-cann |
| Facebook: | https://www.facebook.com/southyorkshirecann |

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Please add southyorkshirecann@cann-network.org to your Contact list to stop it going into junk.